

Partner Profile: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



Jo-Ellen Darcy, (center) assistant secretary of the Army for Civil Works, plants an American chestnut at Raystown Lake with assistance from Sara Fitzsimmons of TACF and Glenn Werner of Corps of Engineers.



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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has proved an exciting and effective partner in helping TACF restore the chestnut. Since 1998, joint projects have sprung up in seven states within the range of the American chestnut: Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky, Virginia, Georgia and Missouri. Overall, 12 different Army Corps lakes have engaged in chestnut breeding, restoration and educational activities, while providing critical long-term maintenance and care to orchards. As part of the national memorandum of understanding between TACF and the Corps, the Corps headquarters has provided \$71,000 in funding at Raystown Lake and Shenango Lake in Pennsylvania, Allatoona Lake

in Georgia, and Carr Creek Lake in Kentucky for American chestnut breeding and restoration activities. These funds were matched with local Corps and partner funding for a total of \$410,000 in chestnut-specific funding and illustrate the dedication and commitment the Corps has made to the mission of TACF. Recently, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works Jo-Ellen Darcy planted American chestnut trees at Raystown Lake. Jeff Krause, the Corps national program manager for environmental stewardship, describes the partnership as “one of the most exciting and rewarding projects for our staff and visitors.” With additional projects just getting started, TACF’s partnership with the Corps promises ongoing success on behalf of the American chestnut.

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